

## Crowle Urban Council.

The following is the report of the Medical Officer of Health, read at the monthly meeting of the Urban Council, on Monday:—

### *Urban Sanitary Authority of Crowle.*

Gentlemen,—I have the honour of submitting to you my annual report of the sanitary state of your district during the year 1896, together with the tables of sickness and mortality, required by the Local Government Board.

*Population.*—The population of the united sanitary district remains about the same as previous years, viz., 3,250—Crowle, 2,800; Eastoft, 450 in united sanitary district. In 1891 it was 3095.

*Vital Statistics.*—There were 95 births—46 males and 49 females. This is equal to a birth-rate of 29·2 per 1000 of population, as compared with 34·7 in 1895.

*Mortality.*—There were 43 deaths registered during the year—25 males and 18 females. This gives a mortality rate of 13·2 per 1000. This compares favourably with one of 18·1 per 1000 of 1895. Only two of the deaths were uncertified, and four were registered under coroner's certificate. In Eastoft there were six deaths. Of these 50 per cent. were from diphtheria.

*Infant Mortality.*—20·9 per cent. of the total mortality was of infants under one year of age. Last year it was 33 per cent. Of the children aged 5 years and under, the percentage was 11·6; and of persons aged 60 and upwards it was 41·8 per cent.

*Zymotic Death.*—Three deaths were registered as due to diphtheria. These all occurred at Eastoft. This compares favourably with the zymotic death of the whole sanitary district of last year, when it was exactly double. Last June I had to report the outbreak of diphtheria at Eastoft. It began about the middle of June, and continued until September. Since then I have not heard of any fresh cases. The cases of diphtheria were distributed thus:—Four cases in June, two in July, three in August, and two in September, making 11 cases in all. Of this number three were fatal. This equals a mortality rate of 27·2 per 100. The cause of the outbreak was, I believe, defective drainage, and drinking water that was not above suspicion. Since my report of last July, several improvements have been made, but there is still room for more.

*Phthisis.*—There was only one death from pulmonary consumption.

*Lung Disease,* other than consumption, caused the death of six. Three were under 5 years of age, and three aged over 60 years. This is equal to a death rate 13·4 per 100.

*Heart Disease* caused 5 deaths. This is equal to 11·6 per 100 of the total mortality.

*Infectious Diseases (Notification Act.)*—During the year there were 13 notifications received—8 erysipelas cases at Crowle, 4 diphtheria cases at Eastoft, and one typhoid fever case at Crowle. The 8 cases of erysipelas occurred during August, September, October, November, and December. The 4 cases notified of diphtheria occurred in June and August. The one case of typhoid fever was notified in November. It was not due to any faulty drainage or impure drinking water at the patient's house. The infection was, I believe, caught while the person was away for change of air. Precautions were taken in every infectious case, and gratuitous disinfectants were supplied when required.

*The Slaughter and Lodging Houses* have been regularly visited, and are kept in a satisfactory condition.

The district has been regularly inspected by myself and the Inspector of Nuisances. I find from his report that in High-street 20 yards of sanitary piping have been put down, 80 yards at Cross-hill, 60 yards in North-street, and 36 yards in Field-side, making in all 196 yards.

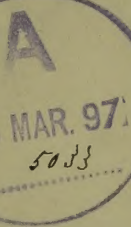
Taking the district as a whole, I am glad to say it is in a fairly satisfactory state.

Gentlemen, I remain,

Your obedient servant,

ARCH. A. HAMILTON,

L.R.C.P., L.R.C.S., ED.,  
Medical Officer of Health.





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Urban Sanitary Authority of Growle. Gentlemen.—I have the honor of submitting to you my annual report of the sanitary state of your district during the year 1896, together with the tables of sickness and mortality, required by the Local Government Board.

Population.—The population of the united sanitary district remains about the same as previous years, viz., 2,350—Growle, 2,800; Eastoft, 450 in united sanitary district. In 1891 it was 2,097.

Vital Statistics.—There were 35 births—46 males and 49 females. This is equal to a birth-rate of 93.2 per 1,000 of population, as compared with 84.7 in 1895.

Mortality.—There were 43 deaths registered during the year—25 males and 18 females. This gives a mortality rate of 18.2 per 1,000. This compares favorably with one of 18.1 per 1,000 of 1895. Only two of the deaths were unregistered, and four were registered under coroner's certificate. In Eastoft there were six deaths. Of these 50 per cent. were from diphtheria.

Infant Mortality.—20.9 per cent. of the total mortality was of infants under one year of age. Last year it was 28 per cent. Of the children aged 5 years and under, the percentage was 11.6; and of persons aged 60 and upwards it was 41.8 per cent.

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Pneumonia.—There was only one death from pulmonary consumption.

Lung Disease, other than consumption, caused the death of six. Three were under 5 years of age, and three aged over 60 years. This is equal to a death rate 13.4 per 100.

Heart Disease caused 5 deaths. This is equal to 11.6 per 100 of the total mortality.

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ALBERT A. HAMILTON.

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